# Reza Mahjourian

## **EDUCATION**

### **UNIV. OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN**

PHD IN COMPUTER SCIENCE 2018 | GPA: 4.0

## SHARIF UNIV. OF TECH.

BS IN COMPUTER ENG.

Tehran, Iran

## SKILLS

#### A.I. RESEARCH

Robotics • Foundation Models • Computer Vision • Reinforcement Learning • Evolutionary Strategies

#### **SOFTWARE ENGINEERING**

Programming:
Python • TensorFlow • C++
Databases:
PostgreSQL, PL/pgSQL
Linux:
Bash Scripting • Sed • AWK.

## **OPEN SOURCE**

Organized **Waymo Open Dataset**Occupancy and Flow Prediction Challenge

CVPR 2022, CVPR 2024, Scenario Generation Challenge CVPR 2025

GameGraph ☑: Studies impact of domain stochasticity and ergodicity on RL. 2011

Discovery ☑: Evolutionary feature

discovery for RL. 2011

 $\textbf{OpenNERO} \, \square : \mathsf{Platform} \, \mathsf{for} \, \mathsf{A.l.} \, \mathsf{research}$ 

and education. 2014

Master-Worker: C++ ☑ Python ☑: Library for coordinating cluster workers

through a shared file system. 2016

XPage ☑: Light-weight web framework, transforms high-level page specs in XML to server-side scripts using XSLT.

## **EXPERIENCE**

## WAYMO AI FOUNDATIONS TEAM | STAFF RESEARCH SCIENTIST

Jul 2019 - present | Mountain View, CA

- Trained high-saliency Gemini models for self-driving tasks, improved metrics by 5.8% (19.9% for pedestrians).
- Led cross-functional collaborations with the Perception and Simulation teams landing models from the Research team in production.
- Employed VLMs and LLMs for visual trajectory prediction ECCV 2024
- Collaborated with DeepMind Robotics on high-speed robotics learning RSS 2023, achieving human-level competitive robot table tennis ICRA 2025, Videos ♂ using hierarchical and modular policies PhD Dissertation.
- Tech lead for scalable occupancy and trajectory prediction: StopNet ICRA 2022, patent, Occupancy Flow Fields RA-L 2022, patent, Modeling multi-agent interactions ICRA 2021, patent, used in Waymo Open Motion Dataset, Multi-agent scenario generation ICRA 2024, and BEV modeling for 3D Perception WACV 2024.
- Trained instance segmentation models with contrastive learning IROS 2022 patent, and efficient semantic segmentation models. ArXiv 2022.

## **GOOGLE BRAIN ROBOTICS | STUDENT RESEARCHER**

Sep 2017 - Nov 2018 | Mountain View, CA

- Sample-efficient reinforcement learning of robot table tennis with self-play in a VR environment. ArXiv 2018, Website 2. The hierarchical and modular policy design was adopted in a multi-year project leading to achieving human-level competitive robot table tennis ICRA 2025, Videos 2.
- Unsupervised learning of object depth and motion from raw monocular videos. AAAI 2019, CVPR 2019, patent, Website ♂, Google AI Blog ♂.
- Future semantic segmentation using 3D structure, **ECCV 2018**, patent.
- Added computer vision library functions to **TensorFlow** 2.

#### **GOOGLE BRAIN ROBOTICS** | RESEARCH INTERN

May 2017 - Aug 2017 | Mountain View, CA

- Developed a novel self-supervised learning method for depth and ego-motion from monocular videos. **CVPR 2018**, **Website** 2, patent, patent, patent.
- Developed custom TensorFlow op for aligning 3D point clouds during training.

## **GOOGLE BRAIN** | RESEARCH INTERN

May 2016 - Aug 2016 | Mountain View, CA

- Geometry-based next frame prediction from monocular video.
- IEEE Intelligent Vehicles Symposium 2017 Paper 2, patent, patent.

#### **GOOGLE** | SOFTWARE ENGINEERING INTERN

Jun 2015 - Aug 2015 | Mountain View, CA

- Created a sparse-feature deep learning model for Google's ad publishing platform using DistBelief. Improved performance by 1.38% over existing model.
- Added support for Capacitor files to DistBelief (now TensorFlow).

#### **TEAMUP** ☐ I START-UP LEAD DEVELOPER

Jul 2009 - Dec 2009 | London, UK

- Created a Diango web app for managing fitness and sports businesses.
- Led the project from inception to beta release **Website** ☑